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MEMORANDA.

Trade.—The imports during September were valued at £3,045,904, which is £583,708 more than the corresponding month of last year. For the nine months there was an increase of £3,816,319, as compared with last year. The direct oversea imports during the month amounted to £1,690,397, as compared with £1,331,231 in September, 1905. During the nine months there was a falling-off in gold and agricultural implements, while increases were shown in metals, machinery, iron and steel, apparel and soft-goods.

The oversea exports for September amounted to £3,256,087, and for the nine months to £19,893,752, which show increases of £1,181,267 and £6,621,032 respectively, compared with the corresponding period of last year. There were increases in all the principal articles, especially gold, wool, skins, and frozen meat. Of the increase during the nine months, £3,194,352 was in merchandise, and £3,426,680 in gold.

Mineral Production.—The value of the minerals exported from New South Wales during the third quarter of 1906 amounted to £1,752,530, and during the first nine months to £4,391,942, which show increases of £521,703 and £917,239 respectively, as compared with the corresponding period of last year. All the minerals show increases, the largest being in coal, copper, and tin. The gold yield during September was 32,089 oz. crude, equal to 26,993 oz. fine, valued at £114,659. During the nine months of 1906 there has been an increase in the value of gold produced of £28,023, as compared with the corresponding period of last year.

Prices.—The general index number for September was practically equal to that for August. The index number for pastoral produce was 1,283; for metals, 1,466; and for all articles, 1,277. During the month prices of the industrial metals increased still further, and generally the only decline was in frozen beef.

Meteorology.—During September the rainfall was again remarkably good. Over the greater part of the State, especially west of the Mountains, the falls were above normal. In the coastal districts they were slightly below the average.

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No. 1.—Population.

Year.	Estimated Population at end of Year.			Annual Increase.		Mean Population.
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Numerical.	Per cent.	
1895	672,520	589,750	1,262,270	23,020	1·86	1,251,760
1896	680,185	598,785	1,278,970	16,700	1·32	1,270,620
1897	692,090	609,690	1,301,780	22,810	1·78	1,290,375
1898	701,815	621,315	1,323,130	21,350	1·64	1,312,455
1899	710,520	633,560	1,344,080	20,950	1·58	1,333,605
1900	718,995	645,595	1,364,590	20,510	1·53	1,354,335
1901	723,035	656,496	1,379,531	14,941	1·09	1,372,060
1902	740,775	666,846	1,407,621	28,090	2·04	1,393,622
1903	754,632	676,997	1,431,629	24,008	1·70	1,422,803
1904	773,234	688,299	1,461,533	29,904	2·09	1,446,440
1905	794,400	701,650	1,496,050	34,517	2·36	1,478,600
31st March, 1906	799,260	705,440	1,504,700	.....	.....	.....
30th June, 1906	804,740	709,500	1,514,240	.....	.....	.....

No. 2.—Marriages, Births, and Deaths.

Year.	Marriages.	Births.		Deaths.		Excess of Births over Deaths.	
		Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	Numerical.	Per 1,000 of Population.
1895	8,030	19,877	18,897	8,671	6,243	23,860	19·07
1896	8,495	18,691	17,815	9,256	6,583	20,667	16·27
1897	8,813	18,989	18,258	8,314	5,950	22,983	17·81
1898	8,888	18,723	17,499	9,636	7,025	19,561	14·90
1899	9,275	18,613	17,848	9,131	6,770	20,560	15·42
1900	9,996	18,964	18,182	8,951	6,167	22,028	16·26
1901	10,538	19,149	18,726	9,327	6,694	21,854	15·93
1902	10,486	19,322	18,513	9,535	7,111	21,189	15·20
1903	9,759	18,377	17,589	9,428	7,069	19,469	13·68
1904	10,422	19,857	18,810	8,733	6,627	23,307	16·11
1905	10,941	20,261	19,311	8,715	6,265	24,592	16·63
Jan. to June, 1906	5,818	10,127	9,712	4,160	3,019	12,660	.....
Apl. to June, 1906	2,994	5,276	4,933	2,029	1,489	6,991	.....
April to June, 1905	2,898	4,999	4,751	2,178	1,542	6,030	.....

No. 3.—Movement of Population.

Year.	Arrivals.								Departures.							
	By Sea.				By Land.				Total.	By Sea.		By Land.		Total.		
	Males.	Females	Males.	Females						Males.	Females	Males.	Females			
1895	49,213	26,838	36,770	21,305	134,126	48,331	23,797	39,423	23,415	134,966				
1896	40,683	21,950	41,290	23,456	127,379	44,429	23,458	39,314	24,145	131,346				
1897	44,780	22,236	45,357	25,992	138,365	43,039	22,572	45,868	27,059	138,538				
1898	49,186	26,340	44,340	25,600	145,466	46,945	24,453	45,943	26,336	143,677				
1899	49,960	27,674	46,358	25,625	149,617	47,817	23,746	49,278	28,386	149,227				
1900	45,585	23,198	51,783	30,747	151,313	45,259	21,931	53,647	31,994	152,831				
1901	50,234	25,905	56,341	31,132	163,612	44,332	25,168	68,025	33,000	170,525				
1902	54,942	26,249	52,128	27,381	160,700	42,085	25,407	57,032	29,275	153,799				
1903	46,121	24,449	54,320	27,464	152,354	39,529	24,097	56,004	28,185	147,815				
1904	48,700	24,278	54,994	28,287	156,259	39,492	24,128	56,724	29,318	149,662				
1905	47,877	26,280	62,987	35,142	172,286	38,904	24,770	62,340	36,347	162,361				
Jan. to June, 1906	...	24,677	15,102	34,028	20,734	94,541	21,110	14,159	33,336	20,452	89,057					
Apl. to June, 1906	..	12,621	7,468	17,873	10,350	48,312	9,998	6,431	18,263	10,771	45,463					
April to June, 1905	...	11,679	6,266	16,084	8,691	42,720	9,883	6,191	15,271	9,065	40,410					

No. 4.—Countries whence Immigrants arrived.

Year.	Other Australian States.			United Kingdom.	New Zealand.	Other Countries.	Total.	
	By Land.	By Sea.						
1900	82,530	45,962	4,857	9,770	8,194	151,313
1901	87,473	46,982	4,579	13,706	10,872	163,612
1902	79,509	46,899	4,864	13,161	16,267	160,700
1903	81,784	42,529	4,249	12,868	10,924	152,354
1904	83,281	42,910	4,842	14,314	10,912	156,259
1905	98,129	44,302	4,859	15,093	9,903	172,286
Jan. to June, 1906	...	54,762	24,296	1,947	9,339	4,197	94,541	
Apl. to June, 1906	..	28,223	12,008	861	4,943	2,277	48,312	
April to June, 1905	...	24,775	10,169	868	4,758	2,150	42,720	

No. 5.—Countries for which Emigrants departed.

Year.	Other Australian States.			United Kingdom.	New Zealand.	Other Countries.	Total.	
	By Land.	By Sea.						
1900	85,641	42,863	5,798	9,477	9,052	152,831
1901	101,025	43,426	5,221	12,159	8,694	170,525
1902	86,307	36,540	5,956	12,803	12,193	153,799
1903	84,189	34,909	5,136	13,204	10,377	147,815
1904	86,042	35,920	5,837	12,782	9,081	149,662
1905	98,687	36,762	5,501	12,310	9,101	162,361
Jan. to June, 1906	...	53,788	20,934	3,537	5,873	4,925	89,057	
Apl. to June, 1906	..	29,034	9,685	1,756	2,581	2,407	45,463	
April to June, 1905	...	24,336	8,576	2,151	2,424	2,923	40,410	

No. 6.—Principal Articles Imported, 1905 and 1904.

Article.	1905.			1904.		
	Interstate.	Oversea.	Total.	Interstate.	Oversea.	Total.
Ale and Beer ...	34,961	116,911	151,872	35,729	134,312	170,041
Animals, Living ...	1,497,916	35,299	1,533,215	1,775,340	32,612	1,807,952
Apparel and Attire ...	356,366	775,523	1,131,889	294,614	742,373	1,036,987
Piece Goods ...	244,312	2,432,180	2,676,492	205,866	2,278,201	2,484,067
Boots and Shoes ...	186,882	104,096	290,978	187,993	142,649	330,642
Cordage and Twines ...	33,156	32,228	65,384	33,893	170,273	204,166
Drugs and Chemicals ...	21,220	157,228	178,448	18,081	116,588	134,669
Fish—all kinds ...	21,743	84,204	105,947	26,738	92,929	119,667
Fruits and Vegetables ...	488,717	68,084	556,801	389,881	62,112	451,993
Furniture ...	32,040	81,811	113,851	25,318	80,816	106,134
Glass and Glassware ...	21,937	94,720	116,657	24,585	108,724	133,309
Gold—Coined and Uncoined ...	3,550,994	957,380	4,508,374	3,947,861	518,142	4,466,003
Hats and Caps ...	53,963	118,179	201,142	52,808	173,894	226,702
Implements, &c., Agricultural ...	174,732	89,293	264,025	164,633	148,375	313,008
Iron and Steel—Bar, Rod, &c. ...	25,088	221,970	247,058	20,495	183,575	204,070
Galvanized Sheet ...	31,588	251,912	283,500	25,249	234,267	259,516
Leather ...	95,153	109,552	204,705	76,329	117,980	194,309
Machines and Machinery ...	169,156	763,919	933,075	139,556	678,955	818,511
Metal Manufactures—Free ...	60,347	521,993	582,340	39,690	327,280	366,970
Dutiable	109,560	401,124	510,684	93,764	364,480	458,244
Oil—Kerosene ...	11,441	128,776	140,217	11,292	120,224	131,516
Spirits—all kinds ...	68,486	327,948	396,434	70,169	263,774	333,943
Sugar ...	622,446	111,110	733,556	612,157	83,619	695,776
Tea ...	38,438	335,432	373,870	36,760	351,315	388,975
Timber ...	177,308	336,698	514,006	143,992	421,623	565,615
Tobacco, Cigars, &c. ...	124,184	203,401	327,585	132,853	212,831	345,684
Wool ...	1,129,709	2,534	1,132,243	919,603	2,885	922,488
All other Articles ...	5,557,042	5,591,618	11,148,660	4,646,852	4,969,049	9,615,901
Total ...	£ 14,938,885	14,485,123	29,424,008	14,152,101	13,133,857	27,285,958

No. 7.—Principal Articles Exported, 1905 and 1904.

Article.	1905.			1904.		
	Quantities.		Value.	Value.		Value.
	Interstate.	Oversea.		Interstate.	Oversea.	
Animals, Living ...	.....	.....	2,101,458	144,989	670,114	90,628
Butter ...	lb.	2,287,883	17,153,024	93,947	723,873	59,788
Coal ...	tons.	1 510,989	1,940,229	772,851	792,751	752,686
Copper, Ingots, & Matte ...	cwt.	797	380,470	2,851	1,277,748	2,003
Gold Coin and Bullion ...	.....	.....	474,896	2,578,435	302,878	4,929,575
Grain—Wheat ...	cental.	694,807	2,710,545	194,256	761,437	208,184
Flour ...	"	316,868	701,075	131,129	258,767	143,109
Lead—Pig, and Matte ...	.....	.....	462,162	610,696	16,271	649,804
Leather ...	.....	.....	104,798	339,813	106,148	233,813
Meats—Mutton and Lamb ...	lb.	3,211,666	48,707,817	39,734	576,233	8,525
Rabbits and Hares ...	prs.	.....	3,150,300	1,500	143,768	1,721
Oil—Cocoanut ...	gall.	35,171	932,830	4,012	112,401	4,712
Ores—N.e.j. ...	.....	.....	.....	9,200	303,012	17,127
Silver Bullion, &c. ...	oz.	2,416,627	820,481	191,761	96,517	251
Silver-lead Bullion ...	.....	.....	589,367	.....	572,283	22,966
*Silver-lea1 Ore ...	cwt.	260,070	371,149	42,769	152,869	1,490,548
Skins—Hides ...	No.	76,711	148,474	86,208	162,295	78,401
Sheep ...	"	379,571	3,199,651	79,190	350,389	43,327
Rabbit and Hare ...	lb.	317,768	4,246,193	9,004	160,180	9,142
Other ...	.....	.....	.....	2,942	264,214	8,758
†Spelter, Concentrates, &c. ...	cwt.	7,060,805	247,062	1,306,997	43,946	32,742
Tallow ...	"	13,312	396,563	11,927	452,403	11,415
Timber ...	.....	.....	.....	29,387	323,878	23,722
Tin Ingots ...	cwt.	171	66,344	1,238	464,811	903
Wool—Greasy and Scoured 1b. ...	56,083,721	230,217,131	2,304,925	11,141,335	1,593,627	8,657,131
All other Articles ...	.....	.....	3,804,330	1,684,487	4,299,982	1,493,263
Total ...	£ .....	.....	12,263,472	24,493,530	9,918,050	23,089,785

* See Spelter, Concentrates, &c.

† See Silver-lead Ore.

No. 8.—Trade.

Year.	Imports.			Exports.		
	Interstate.	Oversea.	Total.	Interstate.	Oversea.	Total.
1895 ...	£ 6,758,140	£ 9,234,275	£ 15,992,415	£ 7,104,812	£ 14,829,973	£ 21,934,785
1896 ...	8,855,161	11,706,349	20,561,510	7,945,243	15,065,106	23,010,349
1897 ...	8,972,854	12,771,496	21,744,350	7,788,077	15,962,995	23,751,072
1898 ...	11,721,033	12,732,527	23,453,560	8,162,429	19,485,688	27,648,117
1899 ...	10,868,437	14,725,878	25,594,315	8,862,274	19,583,192	28,445,466
1900 ...	10,164,080	17,396,991	27,561,071	9,979,214	18,185,302	28,164,516
1901 ...	9,368,011	17,560,207	26,928,218	9,140,497	18,210,625	27,351,122
1902 ...	10,949,675	15,024,535	25,974,210	7,568,922	15,975,129	23,544,051
1903 ...	12,792,252	13,977,917	26,770,169	7,876,898	18,861,213	26,738,111
1904 ...	14,152,101	13,133,857	27,285,958	9,918,050	23,089,785	33,007,835
1905 ...	14,938,885	14,485,123	29,424,008	12,263,472	24,493,530	36,757,002

No. 9.—Trade Comparison—Imports—Monthly.

Month.	1906.			1905.			Increase.
	Australian Produce.	Oversea Produce.	Total.	Australian Produce.	Oversea Produce.	Total.	
January ...	£ 742,149	£ 1,093,356	£ 1,835,505	£ 941,863	£ 1,282,597	£ 2,224,460	—388,955
February ...	929,638	1,435,593	2,365,231	1,240,649	1,104,981	2,345,630	19,601
March ...	888,532	1,796,875	2,685,507	860,476	1,224,595	2,085,071	600,436
April ...	1,092,121	1,472,050	2,564,161	978,001	1,012,563	1,990,564	573,597
May ...	1,586,612	1,415,826	3,002,438	1,062,432	1,024,100	2,086,532	915,906
June ...	1,033,667	1,33,3401	2,567,068	952,372	829,330	1,781,702	785,366
July ...	1,200,335	1,700,787	2,906,722	1,167,099	1,430,807	2,603,966	302,756
August ...	1,167,115	1,852,125	3,019,240	1,002,659	1,592,677	2,595,336	423,904
September ...	1,193,529	1,852,375	3,045,904	969,802	1,492,394	2,462,196	583,708
Total (9 mos.) £	9,833,788	14,157,988	23,991,776	9,175,353	11,000,104	20,175,457	3,816,319

No. 10.—Trade Comparison—Exports—Monthly.

Month.	1906.			1905.			Increase.
	Oversea.	Interstate.	Total.	Oversea.	Interstate.	Total.	
January ...	£ 2,568,357	764,664	3,333,021	£ 1,751,692	697,048	2,448,740	884,281
February ...	3,171,497	804,766	3,976,263	2,272,249	749,952	3,022,201	954,062
March ...	2,229,184	743,473	2,972,657	1,562,406	693,541	2,255,947	716,710
April ...	1,875,781	789,713	2,665,494	1,151,319	652,983	1,804,302	861,192
May ...	1,677,134	919,757	2,596,891	977,649	765,910	1,743,559	533,332
June ...	1,692,504	799,619	2,492,123	1,205,176	735,830	1,941,006	551,117
July ...	1,733,433	980,088	2,713,521	1,145,883	753,235	1,899,118	814,403
August ...	1,689,775	1,069,193	2,758,968	1,131,526	915,691	2,047,217	711,751
September ...	3,250,087	*	.....	2,074,820	1,369,177	3,443,997	1,181,267†
Total (9 mos.) £	19,893,752	.....	.....	13,272,720	7,333,367	20,606,087	6,621,032†

* The figures for September are not yet available.

† Oversea only.

No. 11.—Principal Articles Imported during September, and during the nine months—January to September.

Article.	1906.			1905.		
	Australian Produce.	Oversea Produce.	Total.	Australian Produce.	Oversea Produce.	Total.
September.						
Ale and Beer	£ 1,104	£ 8,536	£ 9,640	£ 1,905	£ 7,859	£ 9,764
Animals	37,210	11,314	48,524	60,516	3,452	63,968
Apparel and Soft Goods	33,931	518,772	552,703	31,591	452,799	484,390
Boots and Shoes	15,386	12,122	27,508	13,529	6,814	20,343
Cordage and Twines	2,517	24,647	27,164	1,967	14,424	16,391
Drugs and Chemicals	3,270	39,321	33,591	3,259	21,402	24,661
Fish—all kinds	1,081	6,900	7,981	1,633	4,408	6,041
Fruits—Dried	3,190	1,884	5,074	2,162	2,787	4,949
Fresh	21,276	8,073	29,349	24,387	100	24,487
Furniture	3,037	9,021	12,058	3,112	7,501	10,613
Glass and Glassware	835	13,847	14,682	1,720	9,967	11,687
Gold—Coined and Uncoined ...	122,985	74,840	197,825	215,213	117,488	332,701
Grain—Rice ... ...	.....	3,902	3,902	.....	7,506	7,506
Hats and Caps	4,963	21,592	26,555	4,712	16,839	21,551
Implements—Agricultural ...	7,894	8,775	16,669	7,491	13,713	21,204
Iron and Steel—Bar, Rod, &c. ...	302	34,204	34,506	243	13,157	13,400
Galvanized Sheet ...	.....	32,258	32,258	.....	13,789	13,789
Leather	9,030	25,464	34,494	6,211	8,766	14,977
Machines and Machinery	12,284	116,685	128,969	4,445	75,810	80,255
Metal Manufactures—Free ...	386	80,119	80,505	371	49,507	49,878
Dutiable ...	9,048	46,731	55,779	5,345	43,102	48,447
Oil—Kerosene ... ... ..	.....	16,460	16,460	.....	16,058	16,058
Spirits	2,982	40,396	43,378	2,445	20,736	23,181
Sugar	147,720	1,758	149,478	28,424	4,060	32,484
Tea ... ... ...	.....	47,337	47,337	.....	54,018	54,018
Timber	6,475	31,512	37,987	7,803	27,453	35,256
Tobacco, Cigars, &c.	9,163	31,503	40,666	8,168	24,538	32,706
Wine	3,739	3,445	7,184	2,584	3,205	5,789
Wool	108,922	11	108,933	40,256	737	40,993
Other Articles	624,799	589,946	1,214,745	490,310	450,399	940,709
Total £	1,193,529	1,852,375	3,045,904	969,802	1,492,394	2,462,196
January to September.						
Ale and Beer	11,103	87,980	99,083	15,534	97,736	113,270
Animals	1,072,798	44,476	1,117,274	906,875	22,301	929,176
Apparel and Soft Goods	266,784	3,498,167	3,764,951	252,089	3,129,875	3,381,964
Boots and Shoes	122,930	100,236	223,166	121,621	88,971	210,592
Cordage and Twines	16,932	179,743	196,675	17,363	141,214	158,577
Drugs and Chemicals	28,123	238,157	266,280	18,763	179,511	198,274
Fish—all kinds	5,799	90,301	96,100	8,698	61,639	70,337
Fruits—Dried	47,846	26,768	74,614	45,785	27,769	73,554
Fresh	158,075	53,022	211,097	250,607	6,705	257,372
Furniture	21,009	59,908	80,917	19,413	50,299	69,712
Glass and Glassware	8,025	100,718	108,643	7,946	73,732	81,678
Gold—Coined and Uncoined ...	1,987,806	1,151,404	3,139,210	2,782,221	650,054	3,432,275
Grain—Rice ... ... ..	.....	71,410	71,410	.....	64,220	64,220
Hats and Caps	36,884	159,158	196,042	26,540	116,509	143,049
Implements—Agricultural ...	62,217	68,135	130,352	70,484	80,606	151,090
Iron and Steel—Bar, Rod, &c. ...	1,589	261,277	262,866	1,481	123,063	124,544
Galvanized Sheet ...	6	282,569	282,575	.....	204,301	204,301
Leather	75,840	141,811	217,651	52,807	84,090	136,987
Machines and Machinery	72,714	721,723	794,437	43,870	529,827	573,697
Metal Manufactures—Free ...	4,230	647,175	651,406	6,257	415,811	422,068
Dutiable ...	63,477	386,243	449,720	41,336	377,088	421,424
Oil—Kerosene ... ... ..	.....	105,034	105,034	.....	109,801	109,801
Spirits	22,848	312,844	335,692	18,588	277,199	295,787
Sugar	519,470	130,217	649,687	229,485	34,276	203,761
Tea ... ... ...	.....	303,482	303,482	.....	290,993	290,993
Timber	64,208	452,287	516,495	61,673	288,075	359,748
Tobacco, Cigars, &c.	94,301	207,129	301,430	73,249	144,276	217,525
Wine	29,074	32,598	61,672	23,437	23,404	46,841
Wool	858,992	950	859,942	790,326	1,676	792,002
Other Articles	4,180,708	4,243,065	8,423,773	3,285,755	3,295,083	6,580,838
Total £	9,833,788	14,157,988	23,991,776	9,175,353	11,000,104	20,175,457

No. 12.—Principal Articles Exported Oversea during September, and during the nine months—January to September.

Article.	1906.				1905.			
	Quantity. Australian Produce.	Total.	Value. Australian Produce.	Total.	Quantity. Australian Produce.	Total.	Value. Australian Produce.	Total.
September.								
Animals—Horses ... No.	725	725	8,539	8,539	844	844	24,927	24,927
Butter lb.	748,384	748,384	35,593	35,503	1,216,096	1,216,096	50,671	50,671
Coal ton	174,357	174,357	78,724	78,724	191,039	191,039	77,859	77,859
Copper cwt.	40,221	40,221	163,256	163,256	37,524	37,524	127,638	127,638
Fruits—Fresh ctnl.	6,173	6,212	3,677	3,677	14,452	14,483	7,200	7,231
Gold—Coined, Uncoined	.....	.....	1,452,097	1,452,097	.....	.....	275,612	275,612
Grain—Wheat bshl.	14,515	14,515	2,388	2,388	5,202	5,202	932	932
Flour ton	2,690	2,690	19,548	19,548	4,747	4,748	36,750	36,760
Lead cwt.	63,764	63,764	52,963	52,963	108,637	108,637	65,211	65,211
Leather ... ...	.....	.....	33,250	33,633	.....	.....	17,077	17,169
Meats—Beef lb.	42,553	42,553	593	593	54,692	54,692	569	569
Mutton & Lamb ,,	4,251,188	4,251,188	44,413	44,413	6,404,539	6,404,539	68,253	68,253
Rabbits & Hares pair	712,824	712,824	32,494	32,494	463,381	463,381	11,584	11,584
Meat—Preserved ... lb.	202,641	203,301	4,181	4,196	755,527	750,971	17,750	17,793
Oil—Cocoanut ton	384	384	11,185	11,185	441	441	10,827	10,827
Ores ... ...	.....	.....	105,045	105,045	.....	.....	44,634	44,634
Silver Bullion oz.	36,410	36,410	4,538	4,538	57,968	57,968	6,706	6,706
Silver-lead Bullion cwt.	68,523	68,523	61,671	61,671	53,612	53,612	53,938	53,938
Skins—Hides No.	15,222	15,222	18,092	18,092	12,457	12,457	14,182	14,182
Sheep "	179,509	179,509	30,506	30,566	303,471	303,471	334,438	334,438
Rabbit & Hare ... lb.	983,403	983,403	35,006	35,006	414,167	414,167	15,678	15,678
Other ... ...	.....	.....	53,184	53,471	.....	.....	51,177	51,177
Tallow cwt.	20,773	20,773	27,534	27,534	26,743	26,743	30,816	30,816
Timber ... ...	.....	.....	18,934	19,071	.....	.....	41,366	41,366
Tin cwt.	5,826	5,826	53,220	53,220	4,010	4,010	29,400	29,400
Wine gal.	3,969	4,099	738	886	1,816	2,034	590	774
Wool lb.	14,691,301	14,691,301	760,072	760,072	17,123,719	17,123,719	849,228	849,228
Other Articles ... ...	.....	.....	56,507	143,656	.....	.....	54,543	110,447
Total ... ... £	.....	.....	3,167,018	3,256,087	.....	.....	2,018,556	2,074,820
January to September.								
Animals—Horses ... No.	3,405	3,406	54,463	54,963	4,023	4,024	88,008	88,508
Butter lb.	13,959,744	13,959,744	582,540	582,540	13,305,152	13,305,212	535,222	535,225
Coal ton	1,493,009	1,493,009	647,417	647,417	1,399,548	1,399,548	578,431	578,431
Copper cwt.	282,383	282,383	1,051,669	1,051,669	250,054	250,054	804,664	804,664
Fruits—Fresh ctnl.	32,445	33,349	19,109	20,024	55,315	56,834	27,013	28,478
Gold—Coined, Uncoined	.....	.....	5,073,842	5,201,702	.....	.....	1,774,949	1,775,022
Grain—Wheat bshl.	3,921,988	3,921,988	644,775	644,775	3,967,224	3,967,224	664,696	664,696
Flour ton	26,955	26,960	198,678	198,732	26,758	26,798	211,085	211,478
Lead cwt.	56,710	560,882	434,340	434,483	719,621	719,621	418,542	418,542
Leather ... ...	.....	.....	218,121	222,590	.....	.....	152,920	156,271
Meats—Beef lb.	3,273,507	3,273,507	36,177	36,177	517,824	517,824	5,351	5,351
Mutton & Lamb ,,	29,003,397	29,003,397	300,513	300,513	18,394,734	18,394,734	199,390	199,390
Rabbits & Hares pair	5,330,130	5,330,130	219,464	219,464	2,210,605	2,210,605	56,208	56,208
Meat—Preserved ... lb.	3,637,471	3,641,491	73,287	73,386	4,822,176	4,833,287	103,674	103,987
Oil—Cocoanut ton	6,147	6,149	93,535	93,560	3,626	3,626	88,038	88,038
Ores ... ...	.....	.....	556,856	556,861	.....	.....	325,797	326,255
Silver Bullion oz.	511,466	717,004	62,664	87,754	532,282	540,417	6,800	6,750
Silver-lead Bullion cwt.	565,667	565,667	529,782	529,782	515,302	515,302	469,651	469,651
Skins—Hides No.	90,821	90,821	106,854	106,854	83,233	83,233	82,507	82,507
Sheep "	2,148,934	2,149,168	284,719	284,759	1,892,633	1,892,633	226,179	226,179
Rabbit & Hare ... lb.	6,301,905	6,301,905	256,383	256,383	1,647,164	1,647,164	59,501	59,501
Other ... ...	.....	.....	282,509	282,796	.....	.....	183,197	183,197
Tallow cwt.	265,742	265,742	332,463	332,463	200,216	200,216	225,596	225,596
Timber ... ...	.....	.....	241,948	252,557	.....	.....	231,845	238,851
Tin cwt.	59,871	59,941	514,547	514,684	43,861	43,861	300,012	300,012
Wine gal.	31,329	33,338	7,608	9,741	17,803	21,226	5,154	8,664
Wool lb.	101,087,074	101,087,074	5,685,502	5,685,502	88,142,720	88,142,720	4,340,727	4,340,727
Other Articles ... ...	.....	.....	546,194	1,211,621	.....	.....	504,568	1,935,541
Total ... ... £	.....	.....	19,055,059	19,893,752	.....	.....	12,723,725	13,272,720

NOTE.—The difference between the value of Australian produce exported and the total export represents the value of produce of oversea origin re-exported.

No. 13.—Outward Interstate Transfers during August, and during the eight months, January to August.

NOTE.—The figures for September, 1906, are not yet available.

Article.	1906.			1905.		
	Australian Produce.	Oversea Produce.	Total.	Australian Produce.	Oversea Produce.	Total.
August.						
Animals—Live	141,173	450	141,623	177,207	812	178,019
Apparel and Soft Goods	10,513	36,773	47,286	7,643	34,891	42,534
Biscuits	3,374	11	3,385	3,616	.....	3,616
Boots and Shoes—Leather	11,931	760	12,691	9,162	1,155	10,317
Butter	1,796	.....	1,796	3,853	9	3,862
Cement	4,127	25	4,152	3,511	71	3,582
Coal	93,341	.....	93,341	73,812	.....	73,812
Fruits—Fresh	14,031	686	14,717	12,316	18	12,334
Gold—Coined and Uncoined ...	101,422	.....	101,422	1,572	6	1,578
Grain—Wheat	8,826	.....	8,826	9,155	.....	9,155
Flour	15,127	36	15,163	9,538	180	9,718
Hats and Caps	3,371	3,649	7,020	2,637	3,914	6,551
Leather	8,598	6,235	14,833	5,309	3,940	9,249
Metal Manufactures—Dutiable ...	4,070	5,563	9,633	3,356	1,701	5,057
Free	1,567	3,255	4,822	1,397	4,457	5,854
Potatoes	1,540	.....	1,540	4,804	.....	4,804
Skins and Hides	13,735	.....	13,735	13,103	70	13,173
Soap	3,954	.....	3,954	3,474	181	3,655
Spelter, Concentrates, &c. ...	27,141	.....	27,141	163,683	.....	163,683
Spirits	1,622	7,234	8,856	799	5,163	5,962
Sugar	16,589	7	16,596	21,449	163	21,612
Tea ... ... ...	.....	8,524	8,524	.....	10,760	10,760
Timber	1,548	203	1,751	8,440	261	8,701
Tobacco, Cigars, &c. ...	15,236	2,806	18,042	13,031	3,277	16,908
Wool...	133,907	.....	133,907	75,849	.....	75,849
Other Articles	241,255	113,182	354,437	112,088	103,258	215,346
Total £	879,794	189,399	1,069,193	741,404	174,287	915,691
January to August.						
Animals—Live	1,021,842	3,198	1,025,040	893,447	1,617	895,064
Apparel and Soft Goods	96,160	204,176	300,336	70,577	178,531	249,108
Biscuits	33,755	65	33,820	24,998	45	25,043
Boots and Shoes— Leather ...	76,954	9,891	86,845	69,941	6,291	76,232
Butter	41,369	17	41,386	83,996	13	84,009
Cement	20,104	212	20,316	21,332	345	21,677
Coal	563,164	.....	563,164	510,441	.....	510,441
Fruits—Fresh	66,213	7,224	73,437	67,694	2,277	69,971
Gold—Coined and Uncoined ...	280,283	.....	280,283	201,887	5,014	206,901
Grain—Wheat	227,804	.....	227,804	138,614	4	138,618
Flour	111,150	471	111,621	79,142	921	80,063
Hats and Caps	17,296	15,054	32,350	15,046	14,031	29,077
Leather	66,911	38,190	105,101	45,277	22,116	67,393
Metal Manufactures—Dutiable ...	36,085	32,723	68,808	22,253	26,673	48,926
Free	10,881	22,534	33,415	10,465	17,599	28,064
Potatoes	29,009	.....	29,009	26,549	.....	26,549
Skins and Hides	91,915	60	91,975	86,839	307	87,146
Soap	31,873	17	31,890	29,168	2,161	31,329
Spelter, Concentrates, &c. ...	177,078	1	177,079	1,203,271	42	1,203,313
Spirits	25,735	46,895	72,630	6,513	33,530	40,043
Sugar	157,167	4,540	161,707	175,459	11,935	187,394
Tea ... ... ...	.....	62,279	62,279	.....	73,038	73,038
Timber	16,495	1,346	17,841	18,671	2,028	20,699
Tobacco, Cigars, &c. ...	122,828	22,621	145,449	112,051	20,118	132,169
Wool...	255,611	.....	255,611	75,849	.....	75,849
Other Articles	2,033,725	788,352	2,822,077	848,219	707,855	1,556,074
Total £	5,611,407	1,259,866	6,871,273	4,837,699	1,126,491	5,964,190

No. 14.—Staple Produce Exported Oversea each Month.

Month.	Wool.	Wheat and Flour.	Butter.	Gold (coined and uncoined).	Lead and Silver-lead.	Copper.	Coal.
1905.		£	£	£	£	£	£
January ...	... 697,654	154,736	81,868	247,915	95,857	66,097	42,444
February ...	... 1,179,195	282,986	88,884	160,050	90,625	67,469	51,852
March ...	... 491,893	142,418	88,142	279,404	84,761	115,539	58,264
April ...	... 325,317	96,987	21,850	115,753	84,354	74,458	72,693
May ...	... 166,436	73,369	70,170	117,805	87,102	90,667	57,778
June ...	... 243,958	36,259	32,344	244,166	113,391	107,144	71,300
July ...	... 183,590	19,511	52,891	204,135	95,938	82,870	74,131
August ...	... 203,456	31,833	48,402	130,109	117,016	72,782	72,110
September	... 849,228	37,682	50,671	275,612	119,149	127,638	77,859
October ...	... 2,038,175	27,197	54,034	163,697	90,870	171,642	79,330
November	... 2,525,296	48,045	99,678	130,001	83,015	126,267	68,291
December	... 2,237,137	84,838	127,670	142,789	81,871	155,807	115,525
1906.							
January ...	... 1,277,164	154,318	143,293	164,272	112,407	67,070	38,172
February ...	... 1,558,533	202,931	108,871	418,403	121,759	109,814	71,168
March ...	... 723,255	183,320	62,172	483,856	119,819	88,368	47,149
April ...	... 423,683	117,314	71,706	591,341	96,773	105,688	55,237
May ...	... 210,380	65,427	50,752	627,758	99,904	115,543	66,254
June ...	... 290,473	38,593	43,797	446,453	102,301	111,629	80,878
July ...	... 156,045	27,536	35,069	630,803	92,453	134,491	90,001
August ...	... 285,897	32,078	31,377	258,859	104,215	155,810	116,834
September	... 760,072	21,936	35,503	1,452,097	114,634	163,256	78,724

No. 15.—Shipping.

Year.	Entered.		Cleared.		Tonnage entered.		Tonnage cleared.	
	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Vessels.	Tonnage.	Steam.	Sailing.	Steam.	Sailing.
1895 ...	2,390	2,851,546	2,405	2,854,705	2,132,753	718,793	2,161,176	693,529
1896 ...	2,444	3,005,328	2,464	3,034,957	2,303,531	701,797	2,316,744	718,213
1897 ...	2,563	3,258,461	2,652	3,358,933	2,562,513	695,948	2,618,385	740,548
1898 ...	2,602	3,402,629	2,653	3,400,970	2,736,388	666,241	2,732,516	668,454
1899 ...	2,406	3,399,349	2,523	3,468,485	2,790,046	609,303	2,839,578	628,907
1900 ...	2,784	4,014,755	2,714	3,855,748	3,206,657	808,098	3,140,449	715,299
1901 ...	2,760	4,133,200	2,853	4,274,101	3,460,193	673,007	3,513,265	760,836
1902 ...	2,888	4,367,739	2,835	4,325,480	3,704,268	663,471	3,680,850	644,630
1903 ...	2,953	4,463,648	3,007	4,466,916	3,683,142	780,506	3,649,600	817,316
1904 ...	2,718	4,419,179	2,767	4,460,014	3,769,303	649,876	3,745,584	714,430
1905 ...	2,725	4,697,511	2,694	4,684,108	4,051,884	645,627	4,041,184	642,924
Jan.-Sept., 1906	2,101	3,812,177	2,111	3,828,193	3,310,287	501,890	3,321,865	506,328
" 1905	1,942	3,375,594	1,948	3,350,846	2,845,821	529,773	2,809,727	541,119
Sept., 1906	220	407,830	236	458,947	383,947	23,883	409,617	49,330
" 1905	231	383,833	279	461,938	358,977	24,856	393,388	68,550

No. 16.—Trade with Principal Countries.

Country.	1885.	1890.	1895.	1900.	1904.	1905.
Imports.						
Australian States	7,595,806	10,049,648	6,758,140	10,164,080	14,152,101
United Kingdom	11,985,597	8,628,007	6,420,107	9,923,117	7,867,880
Canada	18,784	61,742	114,321	129,054
Fiji	192,540	99,853	27,890	60,831	57,314
Hongkong	340,187	271,730	181,529	67,928	122,130
India and Ceylon	134,909	239,070	306,932	601,741	613,304
New Zealand	899,623	932,073	563,528	1,348,605	862,455
South Africa	290	55	34	1,013	3,944
Straits Settlements	40,913	27,148	14,074	40,391	46,366
Other British Possessions	109,850	6,685	18,820	118,929	77,839
Total, British Countries	21,299,715	20,273,053	14,352,796	22,440,956	23,932,387	25,989,399
Belgium	195,318	130,819	150,288	147,661	279,861
China	303,595	241,840	133,870	190,456	15,290
France	345,231	117,871	76,663	270,084	93,043
Germany	372,557	639,475	425,597	1,105,664	819,267
Italy	1,311	23,961	39,563	92,732	76,945
Japan	1,242	22,040	28,179	122,041	182,912
New Caledonia	82,181	83,920	28,345	28,509	28,637
Philippine Islands	715	4,414	15,211	49,240	21,523
South Sea Islands	36,929	40,214	54,436	107,488	75,542
United States	1,008,572	859,102	624,268	2,557,961	1,579,345
Other Foreign Countries	90,995	178,295	63,099	448,279	181,206
Total, Foreign Countries	2,437,746	2,341,951	1,639,619	5,120,115	3,353,571	3,434,609
Total, All Countries	23,737,461	22,615,004	15,992,415	27,561,071	27,285,958	29,424,008
Exports.						
Australian States	6,567,084	10,990,593	7,104,812	9,979,190	9,918,050
United Kingdom	7,293,133	6,623,431	9,371,418	8,273,272	10,148,436
Canada	10	16,804	66,403	25,557
Fiji	128,643	98,951	86,420	183,579	225,631
Hongkong	246,032	255,050	141,976	218,986	343,275
India and Ceylon	130,597	257,360	56,462	174,296	1,903,471
New Zealand	369,055	294,138	486,173	826,662	925,025
South Africa	1,014	3,266	755,487	229,733
Straits Settlements	29,190	34,347	24,507	39,898	103,886
Other British Possessions	30,318	27,469	31,268	49,586	91,713
Total, British Countries	14,794,052	18,582,363	17,323,106	20,567,359	23,974,777	25,994,563
Belgium	399,549	1,011,846	780,826	620,349	1,223,091
China	21,114	1,037	7,943	68,004	285,959
France	142,104	233,924	1,436,122	1,024,300	2,105,829
Germany	29,511	404,280	1,141,661	844,504	2,271,025
Italy	1,769	24,498	63,509	61,132	112,012
Japan	2,758	7,156	54,242	133,989	350,770
New Caledonia	153,994	193,396	71,344	179,761	141,938
Philippine Islands	16,410	18,603	88,043	145,730
South Sea Islands	68,854	45,290	68,713	126,834	110,036
United States	985,531	1,300,375	683,606	3,981,242	1,763,060
Other Foreign Countries	151,771	225,362	285,110	468,999	517,608
Total, Foreign Countries	1,956,055	3,463,574	4,611,679	7,597,157	9,033,058	10,762,439
Total, All Countries	16,750,107	22,045,937	21,934,785	28,164,516	33,007,835	36,757,002

No. 17.—Banks of Issue—Liabilities.

(Thirteen Banks.)

NOTE.—Liabilities to Shareholders are not included.

Quarter ended 31st December.	Notes in Circulation.	Bills in Circulation.	Deposits.			Balances due to other Banks.	Total Liabilities.
			Not bearing Interest.	Bearing Interest.	Total.		
1895 1,223,864	£ 117,327	£ 10,222,437	£ 20,406,822	£ 30,629,259	£ 66,602	£ 32,037,052	
1896 1,237,971	111,889	10,707,611	19,128,305	29,835,916	69,000	31,254,776	
1897 1,227,964	112,113	10,582,621	19,024,114	29,600,735	79,711	31,026,523	
1898 1,278,940	125,414	10,812,215	19,040,496	29,852,711	54,228	31,311,293	
1899 1,340,557	202,468	11,779,918	19,648,107	31,428,025	84,009	33,055,059	
1900 1,417,641	209,905	12,224,510	20,009,081	32,233,591	78,594	33,969,731	
1901 1,499,937	218,943	12,841,599	20,416,857	33,258,456	100,496	35,077,832	
1902 1,454,415	208,521	12,587,097	20,472,785	33,059,882	207,610	34,930,428	
1903 1,378,642	228,059	12,591,037	19,986,224	32,577,861	65,979	34,250,541	
1904 1,345,934	196,995	12,642,715	20,638,560	33,281,275	77,028	34,901,232	
1905 1,430,335	218,555	14,859,427	22,211,628	37,071,055	140,18	38,860,063	
31 March, 1906 ... 1,446,195	252,569	16,076,815	22,826,225	38,903,040	223,744	40,825,548	
30 June, 1906 ... 1,461,640	244,061	15,773,883	23,325,730	39,099,613	213,335	41,018,649	
30 June, 1905 ... 1,345,655	238,076	14,338,927	21,633,341	35,972,268	116,995	37,672,994	

No. 18.—Banks of Issue—Assets.

(Thirteen Banks.)

Quarter ended 31st December.	Coin.	Bullion.	Landed Property.	Notes and Bills discounted, and all other debts due to the Banks.	Notes and Bills of other Banks.	Balances due from other Banks.	Total Assets.
1895 7,364,659	£ 151,619	£ 1,919,017	£ 35,707,153	£ 222,731	£ 257,150	£ 45,622,329	
1896 6,760,851	187,845	1,914,483	35,116,696	223,487	324,406	44,527,828	
1897 5,766,554	175,037	1,816,691	35,697,494	227,427	297,519	43,980,722	
1898 5,564,870	200,310	1,812,804	34,493,700	256,997	399,543	42,638,224	
1899 5,865,622	217,136	1,819,359	33,688,862	287,030	316,652	42,194,661	
1900 5,933,976	193,050	1,874,099	34,385,388	246,998	403,816	43,036,427	
1901 5,814,180	171,545	1,744,664	35,068,787	259,202	379,181	43,437,559	
1902 6,329,551	223,172	1,789,902	34,654,744	287,025	346,097	43,630,491	
1903 5,824,539	226,307	1,804,956	34,686,452	304,418	318,904	43,165,576	
1904 6,175,911	276,446	1,808,266	32,798,708	283,002	264,615	41,606,948	
1905 8,624,083	199,177	1,799,232	32,447,658	326,750	297,237	43,694,137	
31 March, 1906 ... 8,636,994	191,131	1,822,947	31,004,708	314,746	381,305	42,951,831	
30 June, 1906 ... 8,192,525	163,246	1,833,992	32,056,712	297,107	395,989	42,939,571	
30 June, 1905 ... 7,663,600	259,449	1,816,810	31,965,018	277,609	275,254	42,257,740	

No. 19.—Banks' Exchange Settlements, Sydney.

Year.	Amount.	Year.	Amount.
			£
1895	109,265,984	1901	167,676,706
1896	116,962,784	1902	178,637,708
1897	121,045,824	1903	180,961,406
1898	126,978,018	1904	177,797,334
1899	146,188,144	1905	189,826,381
1900	144,080,313		
Total, 1st January to 1st October, 1906		... ... ... ..	£155,505,666
,, 1st " 2nd " 1905	... ... ... ..	... ... ... ..	£131,732,144

No. 20.—Savings Banks.

Year.	Number of Depositors.	Value of Deposits.	Increase in Deposits during Year.	Amount Deposited.	
				Per Depositor.	Per Inhabitant.
1895	No. 202,802	£ 8,073,575	£ 856,575	£ 6 s. d. 6 7 11
1896	213,608	8,522,623	449,048	39 18 0 6 13 3
1897	227,629	9,136,793	614,170	40 2 9 7 0 5
1898	242,365	9,480,944	344,151	39 2 4 7 3 4
1899	260,826	10,069,434	588,490	38 12 1 7 9 10
1900	282,643	10,901,382	831,948	38 11 5 7 19 9
1901	306,311	11,808,710	907,328	38 11 0 8 11 2
1902	323,212	12,425,464	616,754	38 8 10 8 16 7
1903	331,956	12,344,623	(—) 80,841	37 3 9 8 12 5
1904	339,602	12,743,735	399,112	37 10 6 8 15 2
1905	355,714	13,498,252	754,517	37 18 11 9 1 6

(—) Denotes decrease.

No. 21.—Life Assurance.—Business in force (exclusive of Industrial).

NOTE.—This Table refers to all offices doing business in New South Wales.

Year.	Number of Policies.	Assurances.			Annual Premium Income.
		Sums Assured (exclusive of Bonuses).	Bonus Additions.	Total.	
1895	£ 270,673	79,085,735	£ 9,259,337	£ 88,345,072 2,675,331
1896	280,113	80,587,515	9,475,207	90,062,722 2,714,808
1897	290,112	82,216,900	9,721,036	91,937,936 2,769,612
1898	306,916	85,630,767	11,093,343	96,724,110 2,903,218
1899	327,618	89,996,612	10,533,800	100,530,412 3,037,142
1900	349,485	93,888,153	11,190,189	105,078,342 3,168,898
1901	372,823	98,168,271	11,510,243	109,678,514 3,327,803
1902	392,369	102,006,915	11,507,608	113,514,523 3,467,718
1903	418,745	107,786,226	12,585,828	120,372,054 3,677,680
1904	440,005	112,357,451	13,418,599	125,776,050 3,845,577

No. 22.—Life Assurance.—Assets and Liabilities.

NOTE.—This table refers only to Australasian offices doing business in New South Wales.

Year.	Assets.			Liabilities.		
	Loans on Mortgages and Policies.	Government and Municipal Securities, Freehold Property, Cash on Deposit, &c.	Total.	Assurance, Endowment, and Annuity Funds.	Paid-up Capital, Reserve Funds, &c.	Total.
1895	£ 15,600,229	£ 5,896,830	£ 21,497,059	£ 1,021,854	£ 21,497,059
1896	16,597,379	5,736,667	22,334,046	21,399,835	934,211 22,334,046
1897	17,360,627	6,036,232	23,396,859	22,537,196	859,663 23,396,859
1898	17,038,941	7,484,151	24,522,192	23,654,709	867,483 24,522,192
1899	18,272,621	7,777,844	26,050,465	25,130,924	919,541 26,050,465
1900	19,013,579	8,457,644	27,471,223	26,491,025	980,198 27,471,223
1901	19,048,449	9,891,691	28,940,140	27,932,313	1,007,827 28,940,140
1902	19,680,288	10,910,198	30,590,486	29,518,852	1,071,634 30,590,486
1903	20,599,387	11,609,060	32,208,447	31,160,834	1,047,613 32,208,447
1904	21,739,875	12,501,434	34,241,309	33,264,382	976,927 34,241,309

No. 23.—Area under Crop.

Year ended 31st March.	Wheat.	Maize.	Oats.	Sugar-cane (area cut).	Hay.	Vines. Wine-making.	All Crops.
	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.
1896	... 596,684	211,104	23,750	14,398	319,296	4,390	1,348,600
1897	... 866,112	211,382	39,530	18,194	327,209	4,608	1,659,717
1898	... 993,350	209,588	28,605	12,936	401,073	4,490	1,821,829
1899	... 1,319,503	193,286	19,874	14,578	461,784	4,573	2,204,500
1900	... 1,426,166	214,697	29,125	9,435	554,048	4,002	2,439,639
1901	... 1,530,609	206,051	29,383	10,472	466,236	4,534	2,445,564
1902	... 1,392,070	167,333	32,245	8,790	442,163	4,889	2,276,528
1903	... 1,279,760	202,437	42,992	8,899	491,918	5,041	2,245,839
1904	... 1,561,111	226,834	51,621	10,405	496,017	5,101	2,542,919
1905	... 1,775,955	193,614	40,471	9,772	435,704	5,928	2,672,973
1906	... 1,939,447	189,353	38,543	10,313	438,036	5,292	2,838,081

No. 24.—Production of Crops.

Year ended 31st March.	Wheat.	Maize.	Oats.	Sugar-cane.	Hay.	Wine.	Total value of Agricultural Production.
	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	tons.	tons.	gallons.	£
1896	... 5,195,312	5,687,030	374,196	207,771	229,671	885,673	4,100,709
1897	... 8,853,445	5,754,217	834,633	320,276	334,902	794,256	5,373,614
1898	... 10,560,111	6,713,060	543,946	269,068	405,353	864,514	6,249,677
1899	... 9,276,216	6,064,842	278,007	289,206	334,297	845,232	4,874,696
1900	... 13,604,166	5,976,022	627,904	170,509	546,850	739,668	5,609,437
1901	... 16,173,771	6,292,745	593,548	199,118	526,260	891,190	5,855,674
1902	... 14,808,705	3,844,993	687,179	187,711	472,621	868,479	7,060,203
1903	... 1,585,097	3,049,269	351,758	183,105	243,379	806,140	4,138,627
1904	... 27,334,141	6,836,740	1,252,156	227,511	816,810	1,086,820	8,358,924
1905	... 16,464,415	4,985,132	652,646	199,040	366,293	928,160	5,413,710
1906	... 20,737,200	5,539,750	883,081	201,998	459,182	831,700	6,543,000

No. 25.—Average Yield per acre of Crops.

Year ended 31st March.	Wheat.	Maize.	Oats.	Sugar-cane.	Hay.	Wine.	Value per acre.
	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.	tons.	tons.	gallons.	£ s. d.
1896	... 8'7	27'0	15'8	14'4	0'7	202	3 0 10
1897	... 10'2	27'2	21'1	17'6	1'0	172	3 4 9
1898	... 10'6	32'0	19'0	20'8	1'0	193	3 8 7
1899	... 7'0	31'4	14'0	19'8	0'7	185	2 4 3
1900	... 9'5	27'8	21'6	18'1	1'0	160	2 6 0
1901	... 10'6	30'5	20'2	19'0	1'1	197	2 8 0
1902	... 10'6	22'9	21'3	21'4	1'1	178	3 2 0
1903	... 1'2	15'1	8'2	20'9	0'5	160	1 16 10
1904	... 17'5	30'1	24'3	21'9	1'6	213	3 5 9
1905	... 9'3	25'6	16'1	20'4	0'8	175	2 0 6
Mean for 10 years	9'7	27'1	18'4	19'1	.97	183	2 12 8
1906	... 10'7	29'3	22'9	19'6	1'0	157	2 6 1

No. 26.—Live Stock.

Year ended 31st December.	Horses.	Cattle.		Sheep.	Pigs.
		Dairy Cows.	All other.		
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1895	499,943	358,411	1,791,646	47,617,687	223,597
1896	510,636	400,183	1,825,980	48,318,790	214,581
1897	498,034	409,098	1,673,598	43,952,897	207,738
1898	491,553	416,053	1,613,463	41,241,004	247,061
1899	482,200	399,327	1,567,754	36,213,514	239,973
1900	481,417	420,148	1,502,968	40,020,506	256,577
1901	486,716	417,835	1,629,619	41,857,099	265,730
1902	450,125	351,287	1,389,939	26,649,424	193,097
1903	458,014	*523,438	1,357,140	28,656,501	221,592
1904	482,663	*591,936	1,557,193	34,526,894	330,666
1905	506,884	*644,164	1,693,809	39,506,764	310,702

* Prior to 1903 the figures include only the cows actually in milk at the time the returns were taken. The 1903 figures include 117,679 cows dry at the time, and 43,330 heifers within three months of calving. The figures for 1904 are 131,595 and 35,405 respectively, and for 1905, 154,649 and 46,559 respectively.

No. 27.—Production—Pastoral and Dairying.

Year.	Wool (as in the grease).	Tallow.	Butter.	Cheese.	Bacon and Hams.
	lb.	cwt.	lb.	lb.	lb.
1895	343,040,000	1,077,215	23,295,512	2,938,785	5,250,717
1896	320,267,000	570,983	25,874,277	4,019,844	5,393,763
1897	303,315,000	656,973	29,409,966	3,937,168	6,544,781
1898	292,165,000	466,102	31,483,601	3,245,312	7,184,058
1899	254,833,000	389,838	33,933,881	2,385,987	6,831,943
1900	237,660,000	444,429	41,479,794	3,558,823	10,863,125
1901	310,075,000	450,713	39,056,878	3,838,835	11,080,891
1902	217,411,000	251,188	29,950,977	4,148,038	8,995,856
1903	227,004,000	235,198	38,727,107	4,748,176	7,804,771
1904	249,140,000	356,800	53,591,243	4,223,621	10,680,532
1905	297,154,000	492,734	53,040,250	4,625,980	11,602,440

No. 28.—Price Levels.

The index numbers are calculated on the f.o.b. prices, Sydney, based on London prices of principal articles of domestic produce exported. The average prices of 1901 are adopted as basis and called 1,000.

Period.	General Index— all articles.	Index of Pastoral Products—Wool, Tallow, Hides, Leather, &c.	Index of Metals—Silver Lead, Copper, Tin.
1901—average of year ...	1,000	1,000	1,000
1902 " " ...	1,065	1,096	935
1903 " " ...	1,065	1,125	992
1904 " " ...	1,071	1,112	1,011
1905 " " ...	1,150	1,192	1,149
September, 1902 ...	1,055	1,125	929
, 1903 ...	1,074	1,155	980
, 1904 ...	1,091	1,126	1,010
, 1905 ...	1,194	1,261	1,173
January, 1906 ...	1,234	1,271	1,350
March, " ...	1,256	1,335	1,353
May, " ...	1,290	1,343	1,438
June, " ...	1,287	1,361	1,386
July, " ...	1,270	1,347	1,323
August, " ...	1,280	1,314	1,409
September, 1906 ...	1,277	1,283	1,466

No. 29.—Average Prices in London of New South Wales Produce—Monthly.

Month.	Wheat.	Flour.	Butter.		Wool.		Tallow.
			Top.	Bottom.	Greasy.	Scoured.	
	per qr. s. d.	per ton. £ s. d.	per cwt. s.	per cwt. s.	per lb. d.	per lb. s. d.	per cwt. s. d.
September, 1905	33 9	8 4 0	104	11 $\frac{1}{4}$	1 8	27 6	
October,	33 6	8 7 0	106	11 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 9	27 6	
November,	33 0	8 11 0	113	108	1 2	1 10	27 6
December,	32 3	8 12 0	115	110	11 $\frac{1}{4}$	1 8	27 6
January, 1906	31 6	8 7 0	116	108	11 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 9	27 6
February,	31 3	8 5 0	106	101	11 $\frac{3}{4}$	1 9	28 0
March,	31 6	8 5 0	104	94	12 $\frac{1}{4}$	1 9 $\frac{1}{2}$	28 0
April,	31 1	8 1 0	95	90	12 $\frac{1}{4}$	1 9 $\frac{1}{2}$	28 0
May,	31 3	8 6 0	97	95	12 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 10	27 6
June,	30 9	8 1 0	97	94	12 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 10	28 9
July,	31 3	8 0 0	103	94	12	1 9	28 9
August,	30 9	7 17 0	112	106	11 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 8	29 0
September,	30 6	7 17 0	114	111	11 $\frac{1}{2}$	1 8	29 0

No. 30.—Average Wholesale Prices in Sydney of N.S.W. Agricultural and Dairy Produce—Monthly.

Month.	Wheat (Milling).	Flour.	Bran.	Pollard.	Oats.	Maize.	
						per bushel. s. d.	per bushel. s. d.
September, 1905	3 6 $\frac{1}{2}$	7 19 0	10 $\frac{1}{2}$	12 $\frac{3}{4}$	2 10 $\frac{1}{4}$	3 10
October,	3 6 $\frac{5}{8}$	8 0 0	11	13 $\frac{5}{8}$	2 9 $\frac{3}{4}$	4 2 $\frac{1}{2}$
November,	3 7 $\frac{3}{8}$	8 2 6	11 $\frac{5}{8}$	17 $\frac{3}{4}$	2 11 $\frac{3}{8}$	5 0 $\frac{1}{2}$
December,	3 8	8 2 6	10 $\frac{3}{4}$	12 $\frac{1}{4}$	2 11	4 5
January, 1906	3 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	7 15 0	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	11 $\frac{3}{4}$	2 10 $\frac{1}{2}$	4 2
February,	3 1 $\frac{5}{8}$	7 9 9	10 $\frac{3}{4}$	11	2 8 $\frac{3}{4}$	3 11 $\frac{1}{4}$
March,	3 2 $\frac{1}{4}$	7 7 9	9 $\frac{7}{8}$	9 $\frac{7}{8}$	2 7 $\frac{3}{8}$	3 11 $\frac{1}{2}$
April,	3 4	7 6 9	10 $\frac{1}{8}$	10 $\frac{1}{8}$	2 10 $\frac{3}{4}$	2 9
May,	3 5 $\frac{5}{8}$	7 13 6	11 $\frac{5}{8}$	11 $\frac{5}{8}$	3 2 $\frac{1}{4}$	2 7 $\frac{1}{4}$
June,	3 6	7 17 6	11	11	3 3 $\frac{3}{4}$	2 8
July,	3 5 $\frac{7}{8}$	7 15 0	10 $\frac{3}{8}$	10 $\frac{1}{2}$	3 4 $\frac{1}{4}$	2 10
August,	3 5 $\frac{1}{2}$	7 15 0	10	10	3 4	2 11
September,	3 3 $\frac{5}{8}$	7 13 0	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	3 3	2 8 $\frac{3}{4}$
Hay (Oaten).		Butter (Best Brands).	Cheese (Loaf).	Bacon (Sides).	Lard (Bulk).	Eggs.	
						per doz. d.	
		per ton. £ s. d.	per lb. d.	per lb. d.	per lb. d.	per doz. d.	
		3 4 10	11 $\frac{3}{8}$	6 $\frac{7}{8}$	5 $\frac{3}{4}$	4 $\frac{5}{8}$	6 $\frac{3}{4}$
September, 1905	3 11 3	11 $\frac{3}{8}$	7 $\frac{1}{8}$	6	4 $\frac{3}{4}$	6 $\frac{3}{4}$
October,	3 7 6	10 $\frac{1}{2}$	6	6	4 $\frac{3}{4}$	7 $\frac{1}{8}$
November,	3 5 0	10 $\frac{7}{8}$	5 $\frac{5}{8}$	6 $\frac{3}{8}$	5	9 $\frac{3}{4}$
December,	4 1 6	11 $\frac{1}{4}$	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	6 $\frac{1}{2}$	5 $\frac{1}{8}$	8 $\frac{3}{4}$
January, 1906	3 4 6	10 $\frac{3}{4}$	5 $\frac{5}{8}$	7 $\frac{1}{2}$	5 $\frac{1}{8}$	II
February,	3 11 8	10 $\frac{1}{8}$	5 $\frac{7}{8}$	7 $\frac{3}{4}$	5 $\frac{1}{4}$	12 $\frac{3}{8}$
March,	3 7 0	9 $\frac{1}{8}$	5 $\frac{3}{4}$	6 $\frac{7}{8}$	5 $\frac{3}{8}$	14 $\frac{1}{8}$
April,	3 15 0	9 $\frac{1}{8}$	5 $\frac{3}{4}$	6	5 $\frac{1}{8}$	13 $\frac{1}{2}$
May,	3 18 6	10 $\frac{5}{8}$	6 $\frac{1}{4}$	5 $\frac{5}{8}$	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	13 $\frac{7}{8}$
June,	3 14 0	11	6	6	5 $\frac{1}{4}$	II
July,	3 14 3	12 $\frac{1}{8}$	6	6	5 $\frac{3}{4}$	7 $\frac{1}{4}$
August,	3 13 6	11 $\frac{1}{4}$	6	6	5 $\frac{1}{8}$	6 $\frac{3}{4}$
September,					7 $\frac{1}{8}$	5 $\frac{1}{4}$

No. 31.—Gold produced, and Minerals exported, January to September.

Gold yield during the first nine months, 1905 and 1906.

		1906.		1905.	
		Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
		oz. fine.	£	oz. fine.	£
January to August	...	168,892	717,407	162,512	690,312
September	...	26,993	114,659	26,775	113,731
Total for nine months	..	195,885	832,066	189,287	804,043

Export of Minerals during the first nine months, 1905 and 1906.

Exports.	Nine months, 1906.		Nine months, 1905.		Third quarter, 1906.	
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.
Silver ingots and matte ... oz.	213,305	£ 26,748	253,732	28,859	41,144	£ 5,358
Silver-lead, concentrates, &c... ton	321,170	1,959,949	324,508	1,755,710	95,307	782,245
Copper ingots, and ore* ... ,	7,710	585,587	6,167	388,758	2,791	213,747
Tin ingots, and ore* ... ,	1,956	316,348	1,857	227,574	682	128,819
Coal—						
To Australasian Ports ... ,	1,618,887	628,370	1,477,669	580,283	617,495	240,982
other Ports ... ,	1,994,995	874,940	1,186,162	493,519	854,567	381,379
Total Export of Coal...	3,613,882	1,503,310	2,663,831	1,073,802	1,472,062	622,361
Grand Total		£ 4,391,942		£ 3,474,703		£ 1,752,530

* The exports of tin and copper include metal refined from ores imported from other States and treated here. The quantity and value of the copper and tin ore imported during the first nine months of the years 1905 and 1906 are as follow:—

	Nine months, 1906.		Nine months, 1905.	
	Quantity. tons.	Value. £	Quantity. tons.	Value. £
Copper	3,705	51,185	3,506	37,324
Tin	1,874	193,491	1,702	126,926

The silver and coal exports represent the product of the mines of this State.

No. 32.—Quantity and Value of Minerals produced, 1904 and 1905.

Minerals.	1904.		1905.		Increase in Value.	Decrease in Value.
	Quantity.	Value.	Quantity.	Value.		
Metallic—		£		£	£	£
Gold oz. fine	269,817	1,146,109	274,267	1,165,013	18,904	.....
Silver ,	1,121,402	123,256	417,520	52,196	.....	71,060
Silver-lead and ore ... ton	397,220	1,942,284	441,447	2,441,856	499,572	.....
Lead—pig, &c... ,	5,883	65,964	210	2,657	.....	63,307
Zinc spelter & concentrates ,	57,603	117,978	103,532	221,155	103,177	.....
Tin ingots and ore ... ,	1,700	188,377	1,957	226,110	37,733	.....
Copper ingots and ore... ,	8,932	406,001	8,592	527,403	121,402	.....
Antimony and ore ... ,	109	503	388	5,221	4,718	.....
Bismuth ,	40	12,329	55	20,763	8,434	.....
Wolfram ,	89	8,432	86	7,361	.....	1,071
Scheelite ,	16	1,406	138	10,122	8,716	.....
Molybdenite ,	25	2,726	19	2,507	.....	219
Platinum oz.	535	1,070	398	825	.....	245
Non-metallic—						
Coal ton	6,019,809	1,994,952	6,632,138	2,003,461	8,509	.....
Coke ,	171,006	110,692	162,961	100,306	.....	10,386
Kerosene shale ... ,	37,871	26,770	38,226	21,247	.....	5,523
Alunite ,	370	925	2,702	6,750	5,825	.....
Limestone flux ... ,	24,975	14,434	14,941	9,519	.....	4,915
Ironstone flux ... ,	8,661	6,628	6,801	4,525	.....	2,103
Marble ... .. ,	.....	1,600	.....	2,420	820	.....
Diamonds carat	14,296	11,620	6,354	3,745	.....	7,875
Opal ... .. ,	.....	57,000	.....	59,000	2,000	.....
Sundry minerals ... ,	.....	2,204	.....	2,919	715	.....
Total ... .. £	.....	6,243,260	.....	6,897,081	653,821	.....
					Net increase	

NOTE.—The above table does not include iron made from scrap valued at £80,504 in 1904 and £85,693 in 1905, nor lime and Portland cement valued at £68,000 and £103,119, respectively, in 1904 and 1905. These items are accounted for in the manufacturing returns.

No. 33.—Value of Minerals Produced.

Year.	Gold.	Silver, Silver-lead, and Ore.	Copper.	Tin.	Coal.
1895	£ 1,315,929	£ 1,642,671	£ 136,969	£ 87,937	£ 1,095,327
1896	1,073,360	1,785,451	197,814	68,546	1,125,281
1897	1,104,315	1,698,239	283,174	49,900	1,230,041
1898	1,201,743	1,704,055	272,686	45,638	1,271,833
1899	1,623,320	2,070,657	395,451	90,482	1,325,799
1900	1,070,920	2,604,117	425,301	142,724	1,668,911
1901	737,164	1,854,463	412,292	76,544	2,178,929
1902	684,970	1,440,179	307,806	59,593	2,206,598
1903	1,080,029	1,501,403	446,286	155,723	2,319,660
1904	1,146,109	2,065,540	406,001	188,377	1,994,952
1905	1,165,013	2,494,052	527,403	226,110	2,003,461

No. 34.—Manufactories.

Year ended 31st December.	Number of Establish- ments.	Hands Employed.			Value of Plant and Machinery.	Total Wages Paid.	Value of Output.
		Males.	Females.	Total.			
1895	2,723	No. 41,546	No. 6,484	No. 48,030	£ 5,255,129	£ Not available.	£ Not available.
1896	2,928	42,908	6,932	49,840	5,035,905	"	"
1897	2,826	44,333	7,106	51,439	5,294,228	"	"
1898	2,839	44,673	7,845	52,518	5,435,696	"	"
1899	2,912	47,063	8,583	55,646	5,640,384	"	"
1900	3,077	50,516	10,203	60,779	5,707,640	4,974,216	Not available.
1901	3,367	54,556	11,674	66,230	5,860,725	4,945,079	24,393,471
1902	3,396	54,326	11,943	66,269	6,795,843	5,080,740	Not available.
1903	3,476	52,453	13,180	65,633	7,009,806	4,839,557	26,391,028
1904	3,632	53,457	14,579	68,036	7,536,903	5,012,758	27,159,230
1905	3,700	56,117	16,058	72,175	7,919,950	5,191,350	30,028,150

No. 35.—Railways.

Year ended 30th June.	Miles open for traffic.	Capital expended on lines open.	Net earnings.	Train miles run.	Net earnings per train mile.	Passengers carried.
	No.	£	£	No.	s. d.	No.
1895	2,531	36,611,366	£ 1,310,615	7,594,281	3 5½	19,725,418
1896	2,531	36,852,194	1,268,529	7,719,618	3 3½	21,005,048
1897	2,640	37,369,205	1,413,524	8,130,495	3 5¾	22,672,924
1898	2,691	37,719,402	1,412,143	8,340,338	3 4¾	23,233,206
1899	2,707	37,992,276	1,454,831	8,806,647	3 3¾	24,726,067
1900	2,811	38,477,269	1,394,052	8,894,352	3 1½	26,486,873
1901	2,846	38,932,781	1,530,578	10,763,697	2 10¼	29,261,324
1902	3,026	40,565,073	1,401,317	11,649,059	2 4¾	30,885,214
1903	3,130	41,654,977	1,048,594	11,548,338	1 9¾	32,384,138
1904	3,281	42,288,517	1,177,473	10,400,503	2 3¾	33,792,689
1905	3,281	43,062,550	1,491,869	10,407,886	2 10¼	35,158,150
1906	3,390	43,626,063	1,926,407	11,863,682	3 3	37,500,531
*June, 1906	3,390	43,626,063	455,278	2,842,373	3 2½	9,764,605
*June, 1905	3,281	42,288,517	367,137	2,464,465	2 11¾	9,032,332

* Quarter ended 30th June.

No. 36.—Current Rates of Wages.

Mechanics, Artisans, and others (without Board and Lodging).

Bakers (per week), 50/- to 60/-

Blacksmiths, 10/- per day; average, 50/-

Boilermakers—

1/3 per hour, new work } approximate average
1/4 " old work } per week, 35/-

Brassfitters, 1/- per hour; average, 42/-

Brassmoulders, 1/3 " " 50/-

Bricklayers, 1/4 " " 45/-

Brickmakers, 1/- " " 40/-

Carpenters and joiners, 1/3 per hour; av'ge, 50/-

Coach-painters, 1/3 per hour; average, 45/- to 50/-

Coachsmiths, 1/4 per hour; average, 50/-

Compositors (piecework)—

1/- to 1/1 per 1,000 ens.

52/- per week (jobbing).

Linotype (newspapers), 1/3 per 1,000 ens.

Time rate, 1/6 per hour (day).

1/9 " (night).

Cooper (piecework), 50/- to 60/- per week.

Coppersmiths, 1/4 per hour; average, 50/-

Engineers, 1/3 to 1/4 per hour; average, 50/-

Engine-drivers, 30/- to 50/- per week; av'ge, 40/-

Engine-fitters, 1/3 to 1/4 per hour; average, 50/-

Galvanised iron workers, 1/1 1/2 per hour; av'ge, 50/-

Gas-fitters, 1/4 1/2 per hour; average, 55/-

General labourers, 7/- per day.

Skilled " 8/- " ; average, 40/-

Ironmoulders, 1/3 per hour; average, 40/-

Iron-turners, 1/3 " 50/-

Masons and stone cutters, 1/4 1/2 per hour; average, 40/-

Navvies—av'ge, 7/- to 8/- per day; 40/- per week.

Painters and paperhanglers (44 hours per week),
1/2 per hour; average, 35/- per week.

Pattern-makers, 10/- to 12/- per day.

Plasterers, 1/3 per hour; average, 45/-

Plumbers, 1/4 1/2 " 50/-

Saddlers (piecework), average, 48/- to 50/-

Shipwrights (adults), 11/- to 12/- per day.

Shop assistants (per week)—

Butchers, with board, 25/- to 30/-

" without board, 35/- to 45/-

Drapers (males), 30/- to 45/-

(females), 12/6 to 20/-

Grocers, 30/- to 45/-

Ironmongers, 30/- to 40/-

Tinsmiths, 1/1 1/2 and 1/2 per hour; average, 50/-

Trolley and Draymen, 1 horse, 40/-; 2 horses, 45/- per week of 57 hours. 2/6 per week for each additional horse.

Typewriters (females), 10/- to 30/- per week.

Wharf labourers—

Deep sea, 1/3 per hour; 1/9 overtime;
average, 30/-

Interstate and coastal, 1/1 1/2 per hour; 1/4 overtime; average, 30/-

Wheelwrights, 1/3 per hour; average, 45/-

Woolwashers, 7/- per day.

Average Wages for Adults in Factories (per week).

Aerated water bottlers, 35/-

Boat builders (average, 40/-), 54/-

Bookbinders (average, 50/-), 52/-

Bootmakers, male (average, 38/-), 45/-

Bootmakers, female machinists (av'ge, 12/6), 15/-

Brewery hands, 36/- to 44/-

Cabinetmakers (average, 50/-), 52/-

Dressmakers, 12/6 to 20/-

Gasworks labourers, 40/-

Milliners, 12/6 to 20/-

Paper-bag makers, females—

Handwork, 15/- to 18/-

Machinists, 16/- to 20/-

" males, 30/- to 40/-

Paper box makers, males, 25/- to 45/-

" females, 10/- to 20/-

Sawmill labourers, 36/- to 40/-

Tailors (coat hands), 45/- to 55/-

Tailoresses (coat hands), 20/- to 25/-

" (trousers and vest), order, 10/- to 22/6.

" " " factory, 10/- to 20/-

Tanners, 43/-

Tobacco (piecework)—

Cigar makers, male, 40/-

" female, 23/-

Upholsterers, male, 52/-

NOTE.—The averages stated indicate the approximate amount earned per week all the year round in the specified trades. An ordinary working day consists of eight hours. The rates shown are practically the minimum.

*Interstate Steamers (per month).*Officers, chief, £14 to £17; 2nd, £11 to £13;
3rd, £9 to £10; 4th, £8.Engineers, chief, £20 to £27 10s.; 2nd, £16 to
£19; 3rd, £14 to £15; 4th, £12.

Firemen, £8 10s. to £10.

Trimmers, £6 10s. to £7.

Able seamen, £7.

" " (sailing ships), average, £5.

State (New South Wales) Steamers.

Firemen, £9 to £10.

Trimmers, £7.

Able Seamen, £7 (6-hour watches).

No. 36.—Current Rates of Wages—*continued.**Farm and Station Hands (with rations and lodging), per week or per year.*

Married couples (without encumbrances), farm, £65; station, £70 to £80.	Stockmen, £45 to £52.
Farm labourers, 15/-.	Country blacksmiths, station, 30/-; general (without station rations), 50/- to 60/-.
Boundary riders, 15/- to 40/-.	Useful boys, 7/6 to 12/6.
Bullock drivers, 17/6 to 20/-.	Shearers (per 100 sheep), no rations, 20/-.
Dairy hands, 12/6 to 20/-.	Harvest hands, 30/-.
Rouseabouts and shed hands, 12/6 to 15/-.	Orchard hands, 10/- to 20/-.
Horse team drivers, 20/- to 22/6.	Vignerons, 15/- to 17/6.

Domestic Servants (with board and lodging), per week.

Cooks—	House and parlourmaids, 12/- to 14/-.
Hotel, 12/- to 30/-.	General servants, 10/- to 18/-.
Station, 20/- to 25/-.	Gardeners, 12/6 to 25/-.
Private house, 15/- to 20/-.	Grooms and coachmen, 15/- to 20/-.
Boarding house, 20/- to 30/-.	Nursemaids, and assist in house, 6/- to 10/-.
Laundresses, 20/-.	Useful girls, 4/- to 8/-.
Cook and laundress, 15/- to 20/-.	Waitresses (board only), 12/- to 15/-.

No. 37.—Postal Communication.

Year.	Post Offices open.	Letters carried.	Post cards and letter cards carried.	Newspapers carried.	Packets, books, and parcels carried.	Miles of telegraph line.	Telegrams transmitted.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1895	...	1,972	68,079,018	1,294,690	44,902,900	11,682,072	12,316 2,635,456
1896	...	2,006	68,845,675	1,406,560	45,558,340	16,109,750	12,418 2,796,776
1897	...	2,046	72,490,144	1,534,710	42,426,394	13,258,207	12,778 2,728,360
1898	...	2,098	75,119,595	1,862,100	42,570,850	17,093,767	13,242 2,866,570
1899	...	2,152	74,686,138	2,040,610	46,806,560	14,641,064	13,663 3,112,063
1900	...	2,189	77,361,604	2,241,090	51,500,920	14,558,454	14,065 3,219,907
1901	...	2,208	80,301,717	2,481,750	52,317,650	15,216,387	14,272 3,449,315
1902	...	2,216	88,077,145	2,704,250	47,763,350	16,995,440	14,356 3,627,369
1903	...	2,228	89,156,941	3,081,270	37,900,840	16,305,421	14,395 3,638,591
1904	...	2,239	93,752,099	4,518,088	40,384,812	19,485,389	14,491 3,637,280
1905	...	2,266	102,292,888	9,665,700	44,599,104	23,077,094	14,827 3,837,962

No. 38.—Meteorology.

District.	September, 1906.					September— (Mean 1896-1905).			Mean annual— All previous years.	
	Temperature.			Rain- fall.	Number of days Rain.	Mean Temper- ature.	Rain- fall.	Number of days Rain.	Temper- ature.	Rain- fall.
	Mean.	Mean Max.	Mean Min.							
	deg. (Fahr.)	deg. (Fahr.)	deg. (Fahr.)	inches.		deg. (Fahr.)	inches.		deg. (Fahr.)	inches.
North Coast—										
Grafton	61.6	75.0	48.2	3.35	9	64.0	1.95	6	68.4	38.91
Hunter and Manning—										
Singleton	57.4	67.2	47.6	0.90	7	57.9	2.15	5	64.4	30.15
Cumberland—										
Sydney	58.0	64.5	51.4	1.36	17	59.3	1.99	12	62.8	49.05
South Coast—										
Bega	55.2	64.4	46.0	1.50	7	50.1	1.32	6	59.8	32.49
Northern Tableland—										
Armidale	50.9	61.9	39.9	2.95	9	50.4	2.12	7	56.4	31.87
Central Tableland—										
Bathurst	50.7	60.6	40.7	2.03	13	51.2	1.58	9	57.2	23.96
Southern Tableland—										
Goulburn	49.4	59.0	39.8	2.34	14	49.8	1.53	9	56.4	25.91
North-western Slope—										
Gunnedah	59.4	70.2	48.6	4.69	13	57.6	1.32	4	66.2	24.93
Central-western Slope—										
Dubbo	57.3	70.7	43.9	3.59	14	56.5	1.24	6	63.5	22.36
South-western Slope—										
Wagga	56.0	67.9	44.0	4.06	11	55.5	1.53	8	61.5	21.71
North-western Plain—										
Moree	60.6	72.4	48.7	4.00	12	61.6	1.54	4	68.8	23.29
Central-western Plain—										
Coonamble	58.4	75.7	41.0	5.01	9	54.0	1.07	4	65.8	20.12
Riverina—										
Deniliquin	54.8	65.2	44.4	3.53	13	55.7	1.17	8	61.9	16.35